

today, June 15. I would like to invite everyone to celebrate the rising future of this great university, and its newly formed College of Communications and the Arts.

Founded in 1856 in the village of South Orange, New Jersey, which is in my district, Seton Hall University has been a staple of the New Jersey community, consistently ranking among the first tier of national universities. The university has continually made us proud in NCAA Division I intercollegiate basketball in the Big East conference, and has even churned out basketball legends who were inducted into the Hall of Fame such as Bob Davies. Seton Hall has also continued to impress through their distinguished alumni, including actor and athlete Chuck Connors, sportscaster Dick Vitale, and actor Dulé Hill.

Not only has Seton Hall University made an important impact on the lives of countless New Jerseyans, but I personally hold Seton Hall very close to my heart due to the positive impact it has had on my family. My late father, Donald M. Payne, attended Seton Hall University for his undergraduate career as a scholarship student and graduated in 1957. In honor of his passing and his compassion for humanity, the university launched a lecture series in his name to pay tribute to people who, like him, strive for a peaceful and a better future.

My father attributed the beginning of the formation of his life philosophy to his time at Seton Hall. The university also hosts the historical manuscript collection of his congressional papers, which were acquired by the University in 2015 after his passing in 2012. The University now has these papers readily available for anyone wishing to gain insight into congressional affairs, as my father served Congress from 1989 to 2012. I am forever grateful for the opportunities that Seton Hall offered my father, and the opportunities it continues to offer to its students every year.

More of Seton Hall's talented alumni will be showcased through performances and artwork during this year's "The Hall on the Hill." I invite all of you to show your appreciation for Seton Hall today and bring out your "True Blue." Go pirates.

IN HONOR OF 2017 NASCAR HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE MARK MARTIN

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 15, 2016

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and congratulate the racing legend Mark Martin upon his induction into the eighth class of the NASCAR Hall of Fame.

Ever since his early days it was clear that Mark Martin was born to race. At the age of 15 he won his first race at a local dirt track in Arkansas. In his very first season, he walked away with the state championship. Success followed him during every step of his journey which culminated in one of the most impressive careers in NASCAR history.

Upon his retirement from driving, Mark Martin had amassed 96 total wins across NASCAR's three national series. His accomplishments also include five second place finishes in the championship standings and 56 career poles. To say Mark Martin is a racing

legend would be a gross understatement. A fierce competitor and true gentleman, Mr. Martin is the embodiment of racing and will now take his place among the greats in the NASCAR Hall of Fame.

This year's class was selected by a comprehensive voting panel that included track owners, retired competitors, industry leaders, members of the media, and a nationwide fan vote. In total, a group of five was chosen to join the ranks of other NASCAR legends in the Hall of Fame. Mr. Martin is extremely deserving of this honor and will now be enshrined forever for his contributions to the sport.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in congratulating Mark Martin on his induction to the NASCAR Hall of Fame.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BOB GOODLATTE

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 15, 2016

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I was in my District, the Sixth Congressional District of Virginia on Monday, June 13, and Tuesday, June 14, and therefore, missed recorded votes 297 through 303. Had I been present, I would have voted as follows:

YES on Recorded Vote 297, to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 4939, the United States-Caribbean Strategic Engagement Act of 2016
YES on Recorded Vote 298, to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 5312, the Network and Information Technology Research and Development Modernization Act

YES on Recorded Vote 299, on Ordering the Previous Question

YES on Recorded Vote 300, on Agreeing to H. Res. 778, Providing for a combined rule for consideration of H.R. 5053 and H.R. 5293

YES on Recorded Vote 301, to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 5049, the NSF Major Research Facility Reform Act

NO on Recorded Vote 302, on a Motion to Recommit with Instructions H.R. 5053, the Preventing the IRS Abuse and Protecting Free Speech Act

YES on Recorded Vote 303, on Passage of H.R. 5053, the Preventing IRS Abuse and Protecting Free Speech Act

TRIBUTE TO SEMINOLE TEACHERS

HON. DAVID W. JOLLY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 15, 2016

Mr. JOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize our Seminole-area educators, who make a difference throughout our community every day.

On May 17, 2016, educators from across Pinellas County gathered next to my office to be recognized for their efforts and the work they do for our Seminole community. While only a handful of teachers made it to the honoring ceremony, they represent the hundreds of teachers who change the lives of our youth daily.

We all have had favorite teachers growing up, an adult other than our parent who saw something in us and wanted to make sure we

would succeed. I come from a family of educators and I have personally seen the impact a good teacher can have on their students.

Mr. Speaker, I want to thank and acknowledge the Seminole teachers for their hard work. They continue to better Pinellas County by caring for and working with our kids. I ask that this body join me in recognizing the service they do. We are very thankful for their hard work.

HONORING ELLEN AND PAUL LEWIS

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 15, 2016

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, when committed and proactive citizens are dedicated to the community, it is important to recognize and honor their actions. Ellen and Paul Lewis embody that type of commitment to the Shaarei Tikvah community.

Ellen grew up in Mt. Vernon, where her parents were active in the Emanuel Jewish Center. Ellen found a real passion in Hebrew School, becoming the first woman to chant Haftarah on a Shabbat morning in the early 1990s. Ellen later attended Tufts University, earning her Master's in Math Education at Yeshiva University and returned to Mt. Vernon upon graduation to teach math at Mt. Vernon High School.

Paul was born in Alton, Illinois, and later moved to Lake Charles, Louisiana. He attended St. Michaels College in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and earned his Master's Degree at Notre Dame.

Ellen and Paul were introduced while the two taught together in Mount Vernon. Their love story grew from there, and they married in August 1973. Together they have a daughter, Rachel, a pediatric critical care physician in the metropolitan area.

To both Ellen and Paul, Shaarei Tikvah means one word: community. At Shaarei Tikvah, Ellen has chaired the Adult Education Committee for ten years, the Ritual Committee for two years, and serving the Board of Trustees and the School Board. Ellen still reads Haftarah four to six times a year and often chants from the Megillah on Purim. Paul has also been actively involved in the Shaarei Tikvah community, knowing how important it is to both Ellen and the Scarsdale community as a whole.

This year, Shaarei Tikvah is honoring both Ellen and Paul at their annual Jeopardy dinner. I want to congratulate both of them on this wonderful honor, and on the occasion and thank them for all they do for both the Shaarei Tikvah and Westchester Communities.

TRIBUTE TO NICK HARRIS

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 15, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor and congratulate Nick Harris of Atlantic, Iowa, for his selection by the Young Professionals of Atlantic for the Young Professional